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- (2) Training of shop leaders.
- d. In addition to the above sections there are also the following "liaison sections" in the FDJ Central Council under the control of the Ministry of Interior:
- (1) Air weapons inspection section.
 - (2) Construction control section.
 - (3) Weather service section.
2. Glider training is carried on at Damgarten and at Bad Doberan in Mecklenburg.
- a. Damgarten school
- (1) The school is headed by fnu Vansolan, former Sturmführer in the NSFK and head of the former Lüggevieler glider school, in Hinterbommern. A pilot license of the first or second class is a prerequisite for admittance to the Damgarten school.
 - (2) The training personnel at Damgarten consists of 35 men - 14 flight instructors and 21 Volkspolizei inspectors. The latter pass on all applicants for transport glider training. The flight instructors were all trained at Waron in Mecklenburg. (2)
 - (3) The head of training at Damgarten is Walter Schoellhorn, who was formerly a Lieutenant colonel in the 256th Reconnaissance Squadron of the Fourth Air Fleet, Greece. Two of the other instructors are Richard Franz, former Obersturmführer in NSFK, group II, and Jupp Hoffmann, former Obertruppführer in NSFK, group IV. These two now hold the rank of Oberkommissar in the Volkspolizei.
- b. Bad Doberan school
- Bad Doberan is used exclusively for flight and glider instruction and practice by the Volkspolizei. In order to qualify for flight instruction one must first pass the glider examinations. Two Kadett planes are used in flight instruction.
3. The Trebbin airfield is being made ready for the World Youth Congress. The work is being rushed and is to be completed by May 1951.
4. The Gotha railroad car factory is engaged exclusively in the manufacture of exhibition planes. (3) VEB, ZAG Treptow-Berlin is also engaged in glider production. A large hangar to be used for exhibition glider production is under construction there. The gliders made in this factory are kept in the Adlershof area. The rebuilding of the Adlershof experimental station is planned. (4)

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- (1) [REDACTED] Comment: See [REDACTED] in which this person is identified as "Wilpert" rather than "Hilpert". This report also asserts that glider activity in the DDR and the Glider Section of the FDJ Central Council are subordinate to the Ministry of Transport rather than the Interior Ministry.

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- (2) [REDACTED] Comment: See [REDACTED]

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- (3) [REDACTED] Comment: Probably identical with VEB Waggonbau Gotha, Kindlerstr. 77, Gotha.

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- (4) [REDACTED] Comment: Probably identical with the VEB Electro Apparate Werke, ZAG Treptow, Hoffmannstr. 15-24.